cult unless in this particular you are pleased to mention which is the U. H. J. losing Our temporary and useful Laws and this we freely acknowledge to be a very great Aggrievance but then be pleased to give us leave to enquire how these Laws came to be lost; and we believe it will be found by the Journals of both Houses of Assembly last Session that the occasion of their being lost was the Absolute Refusal of the Lower House of Assembly to pass and send to the Upper House a Bill for raising a duty of three Pence per Hogshead on Tobacco Exported out of this Province for the purchasing Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of the Province which themselves in a Conference between both Houses had before agreed to do and which in this time of War was highly necessary to be done and this Refusal founded upon no other Reason than a bare Suggestion that the Upper House would not pass and send down the other Bills then lying before them with the same Duration which the Lower House had fixed upon them so that the true State of the Case is this the Lower House of Assembly lost all their good and useful Laws rather than pass a Bill which themselves had before agreed to, and which was equally good and useful to the whole Province in general with any of those Laws, because the Other Bills then in the Upper House were not first passed and sent to the Lower House in such a manner as they themselves directed

As to what you are pleased to say in answer to that part of Our Message relating to Doctor Carroll we shall only desire you will be pleased to consider it again and (to make a grateful Return of your good Wishes in Our Favour) We wish you would be pleased to do it with the same good Temper and Moderation you are pleased to recommend to Us and then we are sure you will not find any Signs of Personal Prejudice or unjust Reflections in it nor any thing more then a modest Recital of Matters of Fact, which we are well assured that Gentleman himself will not deny and which We thought Ourselves under a necessity of observing to you for the Reasons mentioned in that Message.

As to the Imputation you have fixed upon us of being instrumental in the Appointment of those Officers you find fault withal, We deny that ever we were any Ways concerned in the Appointment of them, and if you think them improper Persons to serve, We doubt not but upon a proper Application they will be removed, but We must at the same time Observe that there is not the same Reason to Object against them, as in the present Case because there is not the same national Antipathy Subsisting as between the English and Irish founded upon the Consideration of the Conquest of the latter by the former and the continual Subjection and Restraint the Irish are under to the English and it is well known that his Majesty and the P. 22 Ministry at home think them more dangerous and take more Precautions against them than any other of his Majestys Roman Catholick Subjects.